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SILVER TABLET FOR PRESIDENT.

A silver tablet was presented to President Taft on the occasion of the celebration of his silver anniversary, by Congregation B'nai Jeshurun of Newark, N. J. The tablet is 16 by 19 inches, sterling silver mounted on heavy mahogany with a border of 2 inches. The engraving is magnificently done. It read as follows:

"Congregation B'nai Jeshurun of Newark, N. J., sends its congratulatory greetings to a true lover of peace and friend of humanity, and his noble wife, President and Mrs. William H. Taft. We hail him as the first man in history in a high official capacity to formulate a comprehensive plan for the fulfillment of the vision of Isaiah:

"And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

"May our Almighty God, the ruler of nations, grant to the President the everlasting honor of furthering the cause of universal peace by materially aiding, as his good heart may prompt him, in removing the greatest obstacles to peace, Russia's barbaric hatred and inhuman treatment of the descendants of Isaiah."

"Presented June 19, 1911, by Solomon Foster, Rabbi; Joseph Leucht, Rabbi Emeritus; Philip Lindeman, Meier Newman, Nathan J. Steiner, Selig Scheuer, Joseph Goetz, Louis Plaut, Abraham Metzger, William Mendel, Aaron Meyer, Louis Schlesinger, Nathaniel King, Jacob Roth."

In the name of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun of Newark, N. J., Rabbi Foster presented the tablet to the President with the following letter:

"June 19, 1911.

"Dear Mr. President:

"In ancient Egypt, as a Jewish legend relates, the ambassadors of foreign countries, the nobles and priests of the land came to the palace of Pharaoh to congratulate him on the anniversary of his coronation."

"Amid the festivities Moses and Aaron knocked at the palace gate, seeking an audience to persuade the cruel monarch to let Israel leave the land of oppression and bondage. They craved the right in perfect freedom to worship the God of the Fathers denied them in Egypt."

"With what different sentiments do I offer you, Mr. President, in the name of the oldest and largest Jewish congregation in the State of New Jersey, this silver tablet, as a slight token of the deep affection, the unbounded admiration and staunch loyalty of the Jewish people for you and for our noble country."

"In this blessed asylum of peace and justice and liberty we would dwell forever, enjoying the privileges and opportunities of America, yet eagerly watching for the chance to perform the duties and obligations which citizenship in the Republic imposes."

"Accept this offering of our love on this happy occasion. Let it be an earnest of the many gifts which Israel in America stands ready to offer to you and to our dear, dear country."

"Rabbi Solomon Foster,
Newark, N. J."

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Joseph Zeif has been elected Mayor of Ludington, Mich.

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